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Report Highlights:

Jordan's total annual wheat imports are expected to decrease slightly next year, but US wheat exports to Jordan are expected to decline 21 percent during MY 2002/2003 due to high US prices relative to other wheat origins.

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Wheat

Jordan's wheat consumption is estimated at 600,000 metric tons annually. Jordan will continue to purchase wheat either from the U.S. or from other sources. Prices will play a big role on the source of supply. Jordan is not expected to be in the market for new purchases until February 2003, since 200,000 tons of wheat from the United States under 416(b) will be shipped before the end of this year and will arrive Jordan during January/February 2003. However, U.S. wheat exports to Jordan are expected to decline by 21 percent this marketing year due to high U.S. prices relative to other origins. U.S. market share loss is expected to worsen next year if U.S. prices remain this high. Also, Jordan recently purchased 50,000 tons of Australian wheat which is expected to arrive during September. There is a shipment of 50,000 tons of U.S wheat under GSM-102 to be shipped during September.

PSD Table (wheat)

PSD Table						
Country	Jordan					
Commodity	Wheat				(1000 HA)(1	000 MT)
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Harvested	28	27	28	54	28	60
Beginning Stocks	50	148	50	54	100	120
Production	19	24	15	66	15	50
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	650	542	800	660	800	609
Jul-Jun Imports	650	542	800	660	800	609
Jul-Jun Import U.S.	436	442	0	508	0	400
TOTAL SUPPLY	719	714	865	780	915	779
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-Jun Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	60	0	60	0	60
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	669	660	765	660	765	660
Ending Stocks	50	54	100	120	150	119
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	719	714	865	780	915	779

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Corn

Jordan does not produce Corn. Corn Consumption is around 35,000 metric tons monthly, mainly used for poultry.

Jordanian importers prefer Argentinean corn over U.S. corn because they perceive Argentinian corn as having hard gelatine coat which prevents it from breaking. Also, the Argentinean corn is \$5-7/tons cheaper than U.S. corn.

PSD Table (corn)

PSD Table						
Country	Jordan					
Commodity	Corn				(1000 HA)(1	000 MT)
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		10/2000		10/2001		10/2002
Area Harvested	1	0	1	0	1	0
Beginning Stocks	0	55	0	86	0	112
Production	1	0	1	0	1	0
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	454	451	350	446	350	450
Oct-Sep Imports	454	451	350	446	350	450
Oct-Sep Import U.S.	0	25	0	25	0	25
TOTAL SUPPLY	455	506	351	532	351	562
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct-Sep Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	404	420	300	420	300	450
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	455	420	351	420	351	450
Ending Stocks	0	86	0	112	0	112
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	455	506	351	532	351	562